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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

COMMERCIAL EXHIBITIONS.

RESOLUTION.

Simla, the 23rd May 1906.

The following papers relative to the Exhibition, which will be held at Christ Church in New Zealand in November 1906, are published for general information. The Government of India have decided not to participate in the Exhibition.

Notice.

The Government of New Zealand has decided to hold, during the summer of 1906-07, an

International Exhibition

at Christ Church, Canterbury, New Zealand, in which all the nations of the world have been invited to participate. The object of the Exhibition is educational, and it is intended to demonstrate the resources and possibilities of the Colony as one of the world's food-producing factors; its vast mineral resources; and to draw attention to its unrivalled and varied scenery, thermal wonders, and also the exceptional opportunities offered to sportsmen;

And, further and specially

To bring under the notice of the more industrial nations of the world the great field the Colony of New Zealand offers as an outlet for enterprise and for the use and consumption of all manner of up-to-date appliances, manufactures, etc.

New Zealand's imports.

Such an Exhibition should command the support and attention of all the manufacturing nations of the world, and, if taken advantage of, must accomplish tangible and satisfactory results. The Colony of New Zealand, being essentially a producing country, offers a splendid outlet for the manufactures of other countries which pay more attention to the development of manufacturing industries and whose industrial conditions and facilities are better adapted to the promotion and development of manufacturing.

The imports of the Colony for the past year (at least three-fourths of which are manufactured goods) amounted to £13,292,000, received from the following countries :—

	£
Great Britain	7,982,000
Commonwealth of Australia	1,893,000
United States of America	1,528,000
Fiji Islands	157,000
Germany	309,000
India	290,000
Ceylon	173,000
Belgium	120,000
Canada and British Columbia	113,000
Japan	85,000
France	55,000
Singapore	37,000
Pacific Islands	30,000
Holland	29,000
China, including Hongkong	21,000
Italy	19,000
Asia Minor	17,000
Sweden	16,000
Greece	14,000
Phillipine Islands	10,000
Java	5,000
Other Countries	29,000
Total	13,292,000

When it is considered that this immense expenditure on imports is required for the use and consumption of a colony with a population of 850,000 persons, it can be readily understood what a rare opportunity there is for exploiting this Colony with up-to-date manufactures.

The prosperous condition of New Zealand and the equal distribution of wealth, places every one in a position to indulge in a fair degree of comfort, and anything in the way of an improvement in the existing conditions is welcomed and substantially supported. The sparsity of the population provides an exceptional market for all labour-saving machinery in every department of agricultural, pastoral, and domestic life.

These features of the possibilities of Exhibition are confidently placed befor the more industrial nations of the world. Therefore manufacturers are urged to appoint representatives and to send such exhibits as will show the nature and finish of their work, and which are suitable for a colony which is progressing with almost unparalleled rapidity, and which has the keenest desire to adopt the most modern ideas and conveniences of advanced civilisation.

New Zealand as a food-producing country.

The resources and possibilities of the Colony of New Zealand as a food-producing country promise so much that it is without any apology that the Government desire to bring it under the notice of those interested in transporting, importing, and otherwise handling the food stuffs of the world.

It is only necessary to instance the rapid growth of the development of the NEW ZEALAND FROZEN-MEAT INDUSTRY and the splendid service of mommoth refrigerator steamers dependent thereon ; the DAIRYING INDUSTRY, which has now reached proportions beyond the most optimistic expectations, and which is still only in its infancy. The fortnightly shipments of Butter and Cheese to London duringthe past season ranged from 1,500 to 2,000 tons, carried in one bottom

New Zaeland's raw materials.

As a market in which to procure supplies of raw materials, of quality unequalled in the world, our *annual export of wool, hemp, skins and hides, kauri-gum and coal* have only to be mentioned to induce purchasers of these staples to attend and investigate the sources of production :

	£		£
Wood	4,673,826	Hemp	710,281
Kauri-gum ...	501,517	Coal	139,898
Skins	444,821	Hides	53,431

New Zealand's mineral wealth.

The mineral wealth of this naturally endowed Colony is demonstrated by the continuous and increasing output of GOLD, which during the past fifty years has totalled in value

The immense sum of £65,000,000.

In this industry alone there is an opening for investment which is not offered by any other part of the world under such secur conditions.

The surfaces of the gold-bearing parts of the Colony have only been "scratched over," and there are immense possibilities and discoveries awaiting enterprise combined with scientific and up-to-date methods of prospecting with a view to tracing the supplies of GOLD to there original sources.

LARGE DEPOSITS OF IRON-SAND AND IRON-ORE are available within the Colony, and these await the enterprise and attention necessary to development; and, in convenient proximity, are THE COAL-MINES OF NEW ZEALAND, producing coal of quality equal to the best in the world, and for which an over-sea trade has yet to be initiated and developed.

New Zealand as a tourist resort.

As a resort for tourists and sportsmen, the Colony of New Zealand offers an interestin opportunity at a cost which compares favourably with similar opportunity in any other part the world.

Deer-stalking,	Trout-fishing,	Alpine-climbing,
Geysers,	Hot and Cold Lakes,	Superb Mountain
Scenery,	Sounds, Shooting,	Road and River Scenery,

unsurpassed in the world, are available to every one who can find time to visit the Colo and not necessarily only to wealthy people, because every attraction is available to people ordinary means, on account of the moderate charges for travelling and accommodation, and participation in the available sport.

Duty and freight.

Special arrangements will be made with the steamship companies trading to New Zealand whereby exhibitors will obtain *special rates of freight on exhibits*, and complete arrangements will be made for the *reception and installation of exhibits* on such lines as will protect exhibitors from any excessive charges.

The Exhibition buildings will be constituted a *bonded warehouse* for the time being. All goods sold will be *plus duty*, whilst all over-sea exhibits that may be returned can be reshipped *free of duty*.

The Exhibition grounds and buildings.

The grounds and buildings will be lighted by ELECTRICITY AND GAS, and as electricity and lighting in almost every form will be a prominent feature of the exhibition, every facility will be extended to exhibitors to display the latest developments and designs.

Each nation participating will be allotted a special court, irrespective of the class of exhibits shown, except in the case of artificial manures in bulk, and machinery in work requiring to be supplied with motive power.

These classes will be allotted separate buildings.

Arts and crafts.

Particular attention will be devoted to arts and crafts in actual operation, and every reasonable facility will be given to exhibitors who desire to MANUFACTURE GOODS IN THE EXHIBITION.

Awards.

Awards in the form of diploma of gold and silver medals, according to merit, in each section, to exhibitors who desire to compete. These awards should prove of great value to successful firms, as care will be taken to select competent and unbiassed judges.

Railway and steamer concessions.

Special rates for coastal, over-sea, and railway passenger fares will be arranged, so as to encourage the presence of visitors, and popular excursions will be promoted continuously to all the principal places of interest in the Colony. Every facility will be provided, not only to attend the Exhibition, but at the same time to visit the scenic, thermal, and other attractions in various parts of the Colony.

Contests and games.

International Band Contests,	Athletic Sports.
Bowling Tournaments,	Aquatic Sports,
Race Meetings and Regattas,	Cricket Matches.
Volunteer Encampments and Military Sports,	Polo Matches,
Fire Brigade Demonstrations and Sports,	Football Matches,
Agricultural and Pastoral and Stock Shows,	Golf Tournaments,

will be arranged in suitable continuation during the progress of the Exhibition.

Educational competitions will also be instituted with a view to promote and illustrate progress in *music and art.*

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

Opening date.

1. The exhibition will be open to the public from the 1st November, 1906, to the first Thursday in Easter week (April, 1907), from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. daily.

Exhibits in order.

2. All exhibits must be in the building and every arrangement complete by 10 P.M. on 20th October, when the buildings and grounds will be cleared of all workmen and others, any exhibits not properly placed will have to be removed.

Date of installation.

3. Exhibits may be sent in (at owner's sole risk) and exhibitors may commence fitting up and arranging on and from 1st October, or earlier if necessary, at the discretion of the Executive.

Date of removal.

4. All exhibits will have to be removed from the buildings and grounds by 30th April.

Prohibition of subletting.

5. Exhibitors will not be premitted to sublet the whole or any portion of the space allotted to them.

Supply of electric current, gas, and water.

6. Provision will be made where practicable (at exhibitor's risk and expense) for supplying power for exhibits to be shown in motion, and for the supply of electric current, gas, or water, if required, if duly entered on the application for space. Exhibitors must indicate on their application for space the probable extent of electric power they will require. The charges for electricity must be taken as correct, and paid for by the exhibitors weekly. Exhibitors will not be permitted to interfere in any way with the gas or water fittings or electric light without an approval in writing from the Executive, whose requirements must in all respects be complied with.

Indemnity.

7. If any damage or injury shall be occasioned during the progress of the Exhibition by any exhibited machinery, implement, or article to any visitor or other person (or to any officer, servant, or other person there and then employed by the Exhibition Executive), then the exhibitor to whom such machinery, implement, or article may belong shall be responsible for such damage or injury in the first instance, and shall besides indemnify and hold harmless the said Executive from and against all actions, suits, expenses, and claims on account and in respect of any such damage or injury which may be caused.

Forfeiture of deposit.

8. In case the balance due on space is not paid on the due date, the first deposit of 50 per cent will be forfeited and the space reallotted.

Admission for exhibitors and assistants.

9. Tickets (non-transferable) to admit exhibitors, attendants, and workmen will be supplied free of cost to the exhibitors; and no exhibitor, attendant, or workman will be admitted without such ticket being produced to an official on entering the grounds. In the event of any such ticket being transferred or otherwise disposed of, the same will be immediately cancelled, and no further ticket will be issued. The number of passes issued to workmen and attendants will be limited at the discretion of the Executive of the Exhibition.

Entrance for goods.

10. All goods must enter and leave only at the goods entrances, the location of which will be duly notified.

Directions for forwarding goods.

11. All goods must be forwarded consigned to

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and in every instance carriage must be prepaid, otherwise the exhibits cannot be received. All goods will be received at the Exhibition and deposited on the space taken by the exhibitor at a reasonable charge, but without responsibility on the part of the Exhibition Executive or any of its officials. All charges for transport to the Exhibition grounds must be borne by the exhibitor. The total charge for transport from the ship's slings Lyttelton, to the Exhibition grounds, including wharfage, railage, receiving, and delivering, will not exceed 8*s.* 6*d.* per ton on ordinary goods, charged on the same basis as the freight. Heavy lifts will be transported at special rates.

Erection of stands.

12. Exhibitors in fitting up their stands must comply with the orders and Regulations of the Christ Church City Council or other local authority.

Sign-Boards.

13. Name-boards, show-cards, tablets, or the like, or any part thereof, will not be allowed to be of greater length than the frontage of space allotted to the exhibitor, nor to be placed at a greater height than 2 ft. from the top of stall (excepting only in special positions where permission in writing has been first obtained), nor in any way to interfere with or be a nuisance to other exhibitors. The decision of the Executive in this respect shall be final and binding.

Interference with flooring.

14. When fixing to the floor is necessary, no nails, but screws only, may be used, and exhibitors desirous of taking up the floor, *or in any way altering the structure, must obtain the necessary permission* from and comply with the requirements of the Executive. and must employ the Exhibition workmen. Exhibitors are responsible and must pay for all damage caused by their exhibiting.

Removal of exhibits.

15. No Exhibitor will be permitted to remove his exhibit until the close of the Exhibition, and not then without the consent in writing of the Executive being previously obtained, and until all charges due are paid. The Exhibition Executive shall have a lien upon all goods exhibited for any moneys due by exhibitors, and shall be entitled to realize such lien by sale, public or private, or by forfeiture.

Non-obstruction of gangways.

16. Gangways must at all times be kept clear and free and fully available for passage.

Invitation tickets.

17. Exhibitors will be entitled to invitation admission tickets, available any day, for the purpose of inviting their customers to visit the Exhibition and view their exhibits. Such tickets will be supplied at special rates and under certain conditions determined by the Executive.

Non-responsibility and insurance.

18. Every article exhibited will be at the sole risk and responsibility of the exhibitor, but every precaution and care will be taken by the Executive for the prevention of loss or damage to any exhibit or exhibits. Exhibitors are recommended to insure their exhibits against fire. In the event of the buildings being unavailable in consequence of fire or other agencies over which the Executive have no control, all contracts are null and void from the date of such occurrence.

Allotment of position.

19. No particular position can be guaranteed, but the Executive will endeavour to meet the wishes of exhibitors in respect thereto as far as possible. Spaces selected will be allotted unless previously let, or unless the exhibit is unsuitable for such position.

Decorating stands.

20. Exhibitors requiring plants or shrubs for adorning their stands may obtain the same for a moderate fee on application to the management, who reserve to themselves the right to supply or withhold the supply of such articles.

Stand numbers.

21. Each exhibitor must place prominently upon his position the number of his stand.

Machinery in motion.

22. Exhibitors showing heavy machinery or machinery in motion must only do so in special building set aside for that purpose. Notice should be given in writing when engaging space where an exhibit is likely to be of exceptionally heavy character, all risk in connection therewith must be taken by exhibitors.

Display of exhibits.

23. Every exhibit must be open to the public view from 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. on all the days the Exhibition is open to the public; and in the event of any exhibitor failing to comply with this rule, the Executive are hereby authorised and empowered to remove any covering and expose the exhibit, at the risk and cost of the exhibitor, who shall in addition be liable for £10 per day as liquidated damages.

Naked lights.

24. Under no circumstances must naked lights or dangerous oil-lamps be used within the buildings. All such lamps or lights will be removed by the Exhibition officials.

Supply of fire and gas.

25. Special regulations will be made in cases where fire and gas is used by exhibitors, and a responsible officer will be appointed to carry out the injunctions of the Executive in this respect. A deposit will be required in all cases where gas or electricity is required.

Prohibition of explosives, etc.

26. No explosives or any substance, which in the judgment of the Executive is dangerous will be admitted, but may be represented by models.

Objectionable exhibits.

27. Spirits, oils, corrosive substances, and generally all substances which might spoil other articles or inconvenience the public, and any other articles which in the opinion of the Executive are objectionable, can only be permitted to be exhibited in solid and suitable vessels.

Catalogue.

28. The Executive reserves to itself the sole right of compiling and printing a catalogue of exhibits, under regulations which will be duly notified.

Rules binding exhibitors.

29. All who come exhibitors shall be held by so doing to signify their compliance and practically to subscribe to the whole of these regulations, together with such other regulations and the Executive may issue from time to time.

Applications for space.

30. Applications for space, with full particulars, are invited as early as possible, and in the allotment of space precedence will be given, as far as possible to priority of application. No application will be received later than the 31st March 1906.

Applications for space may be lodged with the High Commissioner for New Zealand, Westminster Chambers, 13, Victoria Street, London, S. W., or with the Secretary, New Zealand International Exhibition, Christchurch, New Zealand, on the official printed form attached hereto and notice of allotment (if space is allotted) will be promptly mailed to the applicant.

The latest date for receiving applications may be determined earlier, if the number of applications promise to exceed the accommodation provided.

Charge for space.

31. The ordinary charge for space will be from 2*s.* per square foot, the minimum charge being £1-1*s.*—25 per cent payable on application, 25 per cent on allotment, and the balance one month before the opening date of the Exhibition. End spaces, etc., at special rates.

Press private view.

32. Press private view will take place, if desired, on the day before the opening, when it is requested that exhibitors will be present to supply full particulars, and so help the members of the Press.

Arrangement of stands.

33. Exhibitors occupying stands with two or more frontages must arrange their exhibits on each frontage, and any bare woodwork and backs of signboards, etc., must be covered.

Unpacking.

34. All cases must be unpacked on arrival, and empties removed at the exhibitor's expense to the space provided by the Executive.

Photographic rights.

35. No articles or buildings may be photographed, drawn, copied, or reproduced without the permission of the Executive.

Advertisements and handbills.

36. Exhibitors will not be allowed to exhibit advertisements in any part of the Exhibition, nor to give way nor cause to be given away any handbills, etc., except at their own respective stands.

Regulations for stands and selling.

37. Exhibitors, must keep their exhibits and stands in good order and will displayed during the hours of the Exhibition being open. Exhibitors shall be permitted to have attendants, and such attendants may take orders, but shall not be permitted to annoy the public or other exhibitors by solicitations; and any exhibitor or assistant breaking these rules may be expelled by the Executive, and not allowed to re-enter the Exhibition without the written permission of the Executive.

Those desirous of giving away samples, or selling samples, must have the written permission of the Customs Department and adhere to its rules, and such permission must be indorsed by the Executive.

The Executive may, without giving any reason for doing so, remove any person or persons acting improperly or annoying the public, and may prevent any such person or persons from again entering the grounds.

Special terms and conditions for retailing can be made with the Executive.

Address on cases and goods.

38. All cases and goods for the Exhibition must bear the distinctive mark

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together with the name of the exhibitor and the number of his allotted stand.

Power to make additional rules.

39. Should any question arise not provided for in the above rules, regulations, and conditions, the decision of the Executive shall be final. The right to alter, amend, add to, or cancel any of these rules, and to grant relaxation from them in individual cases, is reserved to the Executive, who also reserve to themselves the right of postponing or abandoning the Exhibition, provided that due notice be given to all intending exhibitors not later than 6th January 1906. If any dispute or difference shall arise between any exhibitor, whether a private individual, company, corporation, or Government, and the Commission for the Exhibition concerning any matter or thing in any way connected with these Articles and Regulations of the rights, duties, or liabilities of the exhibitors and the Commission, respectively under or in connection therewith. or the Exhibition, then and in every such case the dispute or difference shall be referred to a single arbitrator to be nominated by the Chairman for the time being of the Christchurch Chamber of Commerce in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Arbitration Act in force in the Colony of New Zealand.

EXHIBITORS' APPLICATION FOR SPACE.

(To be filled and lodged as soon as possible.)

Christian and Surname, or name of Firm _____

Address in full ... ... _____

General description of the exhibit for reproduction in the Catalogue. _____

Particulars of the space required.

Horizontal or floor space :— *Feet.* *Inches.*	*Vertical or wall space* :— *Feet.* *Inches.*
Length or Frontage	Height ... ...
Breadth	Width ... ...
Height from floor	Depth or projection from front to back.

Payment made for space : £_____ Competitive or Non-competitive :_____

The undersigned agree to take the space described above subject to the Rules and Regulations attached hereto, and enclose a remittance for £ , being 25 per cent of the total cost of the space, a further payment of 25 per cent being payable on allotment, and the balance one month before the opening of the Exhibition.

Signature of Exhibitor or Agent _____

DESCRIPTION OF EACH PROPOSED EXHIBIT.

For the information of the Executive Commissioners and for the preparation of the Catalogue.

To be written on this page only, and each object to be described on a separate line.

FOR INDEX.				DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBITS.
NAME	ADDRESS	TOWN	COUNTRY	